

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION

RICHARD FRANCIS, WESLEY WON,
DENNIS SPEERLY, JOSEPH SIERCHIO,
MICHAEL PLAFKER, HOWARD YOUNG CASE NO: 19-11044
and DARRIN DEGRAND, individually and on Hon. David M. Lawson
behalf of others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

v.

GENERAL MOTORS, LLC,

Defendant.

PLAINTIFFS' RESPONSE TO DEFENDANT'S MOTION
TO SUSPEND DEADLINES

GM moved to suspend all deadlines in this case considering the pending transfer and consolidation of two other cases, *Duffy et al v. General Motors*, 9:18-cv-81726-RLR (S.D.Fla) and *Shelton v. General Motors*, 19-cv-0918-MN (D. Del.). (ECF No. 10). Plaintiffs do not oppose GM's request for a stay of the June 14, 2019 deadline for GM's responsive pleading in the instant case. However, Plaintiffs oppose a blanket stay of all deadlines, specifically with respect to the June 26, 2019 case management status and scheduling conference.

This Court expressly instructed the Parties to "commence significant discovery prior to the [June 26, 2019] conference." (ECF No. 6 at 2). Plaintiffs too

wish to continue forward and not start the discovery process anew, as the crux of the claims in all three cases remains the same (defective transmissions). Indeed, in *Duffy*, the Parties have already agreed upon the protective order and ESI protocol, served document requests, and met and conferred with GM as to responses. Plaintiffs request to pick up where the Parties left off and avoid unnecessary delay. Counsel for the *Shelton* case will be invited to join as well. Plaintiffs will also meet and confer with GM's counsel to discuss a discovery plan. The parties will file that by June 19th or send the Court a short statement pursuant the Court's Notice to Appear (ECF No. 6).

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Dated: June 14, 2019

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that the foregoing instrument was filed with the U.S. District Court through the ECF filing system and that all parties to the above cause was served via the ECF filing system on June 14, 2019.

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